

transmitting data from each intermediate location to corresponding central locations; and  
transmitting data within the central locations.

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Please cancel claim 52.

**REMARKS**

Entry of the present amendment is respectfully requested prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 1-51 are presented in the present application, claim 52 having been cancelled by the present amendment. The present amendment acts to more clearly define the subject matter of the present application and presents no new matter.

Applicant also encloses herewith a copy of a Supplemental Power of Attorney filed in the parent case for the Examiner's convenience.

It is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance. Nevertheless, should issues arise, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned to resolve those issues in a timely manner.

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